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EMPLOYMENT TO AGRICULTURAL GRADUATES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether 43 per cent of agriculture graduates and 23 per cent of post-graduates in rural areas are unemployed as on date;

(b) if so, whether the Government has conducted any survey in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to provide employment to such youths?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c): A study was got conducted by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research through the Institute of Applied Manpower Research (IAMR). As per the study, the position of employability is as follows:-

	Graduates (%)	Post- Graduates (%)
Employed	38.3	57.3
Pursuing for higher studies	11.3	10.1
Unemployed	42.7	22.5
Self-employed	4.7	4.6

(d) The Indian Council of Agricultural Research/ Department of Agricultural Research & Education has launched programmes like experiential learning, hands-on-training, curricula revision etc. so that the graduates and post-graduates produced by the Universities possess entrepreneurial skills and confidence to enhance their employability including self-employment.